

SAVING OUR SIGNAL BOX!



Hebden Bridge signal box is an important part of the town's heritage. It is Grade II listed, reflecting its historic importance. Built in 1891, it has the original Lancashire & Yorkshire Railway lever frame still in use.

Relatively soon it will be decommissioned by Network Rail. Network Rail has planning permission to remove the steps and put grilles over the windows (not a good look).

But Network Rail has also been talking to the Friends of HB Station and Calder Valley Community Land Trust. A much more imaginative solution will be to see the signal box saved, restored to its former glory, and properly looked after in the future.

As a member-owned charity, the CLT is prepared to take legal custodianship of the building from Network Rail and to fund-raise for initial restoration work.

We're hoping our discussions with Network Rail, who have said that they do want to see the building saved, will quickly resolve this issue. Community ownership will, we think, be a lot better than a boarded-up eyesore

We will keep you updated on our progress on the HebWeb www.hebdenbridge.co.uk

Our two local community organisations welcome your support.

<http://www.hbstationfriends.org.uk/>

<http://www.caldervalleyclt.org.uk>

